

WHEREAS, the Alaska Road Commission has surveyed the proposed link between Nenana and Fairbanks in the year of 1951; and

WHEREAS, the settlers and farmers of Nenana are waiting to bring cattle and farming into the little Gold Stream Valley as soon as the road is constructed; and

WHEREAS, the development of this area is greatly dependent on the immediate construction of this sixty miles of road.

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully urges the President of the United States, the Congress of the United States, Director of Defense Mobilization, Secretary of Defense, Secretary of the Interior, the Governor of Alaska, the Delegate to Congress from Alaska, the Bureau of Public Roads, and the Alaska Road Commission, Juneau, Alaska to appropriate sufficient funds to construct this proposed link between Fairbanks, Nenana and Healy, Alaska in the construction year of 1953.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House February 11, 1953.

Passed by the Senate February 26, 1953.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 9

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, THE ADMINISTRATOR OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND TO THE DELEGATE IN CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in Twenty-first Session assembled, respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, it is important to all citizens of the United States that our nation's veterans and their families be properly housed; and

WHEREAS, many veterans have migrated to the Territory of Alaska and are helping to develop its economy and society; and

WHEREAS, veterans now represent approximately seventeen and one-half per cent of the total population of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the so-called G. I. Bill of Rights as amended, the United States Veterans Administration has been guaranteeing sixty percent of the amount loaned to eligible veterans for homes in Alaska by private lending institutions up to a maximum loan of twelve thousand five hundred dollars and has been making loans directly to eligible veterans for homes in amounts not exceeding ten thousand dollars; and

WHEREAS, these same loan privileges are also available to eligible veterans residing in the continental United States; and

WHEREAS, it is a fact that the costs of home construction in Alaska are from fifty percent to one hundred percent higher than elsewhere in the United States; and

WHEREAS, many veterans have been unable to purchase or construct adequate housing in Alaska for themselves and their families due to the higher costs of construction; and

WHEREAS, most of these veterans could obtain adequate housing for themselves and their families if the maximum amount for individual home loans guaranteed or issued by the United States Veterans Administration could be increased to the sum of fifteen thousand dollars per veteran in Alaska.

NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully prays that the maximum amount for veterans home loans in Alaska guaranteed or issued by the United States Veterans Administration be increased to the sum of fifteen thousand dollars.

AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

Passed by the House February 7, 1953.

Passed by the Senate February 11, 1953.

Approved by the Governor February 13, 1953.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 11

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES; AND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR:

Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Twenty-first Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

WHEREAS, the people of the Territory of Alaska have, by an overwhelming referendum vote of 20,544 to 3,479, demanded that they be given self-control of the fisheries of the Territory; and

WHEREAS, repeated legislation has been introduced in the Congress of the United States by delegates of the Territory of Alaska asking that the people of Alaska have extended to them the same right of control over their major natural resource as is granted the several states; and

WHEREAS, the Territorial Legislature has heretofore created and appropriated monies to a Territorial Fisheries Department and an Alaskan Fishery Board; and

WHEREAS, the people of Alaska, by their mandate have shown their displeasure with the present administrative agency and its regulations, and have expressed their confidence and belief in the Alaska Department of Fisheries; and

WHEREAS, public hearings held for the purpose of formulating policies and regulations pertaining to the control of this major industry should be held at times when fishing conditions may be more readily ascertainable than at the present